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**Texas Board of Professional Engineers Recognized for Commitment to Quality**

The Texas Board of Professional Engineers (TBPE) has been recognized by the Quality Texas Foundation for dedication to quality and high performance, and is the only state regulatory agency to be recognized during the 2012 review cycle. This is the second consecutive year that the TBPE has been recognized for its commitment to quality.

"We are pleased to see the agency recognized for the quality of service it provides our citizens and the professional practice of engineering. Our staff is to be congratulated for their continued commitment to excellence", said G. Kemble Bennett, Chairman of the TBPE Board.

The Quality Texas Foundation encourages the use of the Baldrige Criteria for Performance Excellence and helps businesses, hospitals, schools, government agencies, and non-profits improve performance through education, training, and assessment.

A commitment to quality systems and people has been a priority of Executive Director Lance Kinney, who understands that state government has the responsibility to be a good steward of public funds and to continuously look for ways to improve. "High performing companies and organizations utilize these concepts to be more successful and efficient, and I believe that it is good government practice for us to do the same. We are always looking for ways to be more efficient and effective in everything we do." says Kinney.

In 2010, TBPE commenced its Journey Toward Excellence, an initiative informed by the Baldrige performance criteria, which orients agency activities and personnel towards process improvements and managing for results. TBPE's goal is to become the best place to work and most efficient and effective of all state agencies in Texas.

The Texas Board of Professional Engineers is a state regulatory agency whose mission is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Texas by regulating the practice of engineering and licensure of professional engineers.

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